

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 AF-10 ISO-00 OPIC-03 COME-00 AID-05 L-03  
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OPIC/GC:AMARRA  
AF/W:BKIRKPATRICK (SUBS)  
-----081542Z 079579 /40  
R 070257Z MAY 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY COTONOU

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EINV

SUBJECT: POTENTIAL EXPROPRIATION: MORRISON KNUDSEN EQUIP-  
MENT

REFS: (A) COTONOU 0790; (B) STATE 100149

1. REFS A AND B APPARENTLY CROSSED EACH OTHER. DEPART-  
MENT APPRECIATES UPDATE ON SITUATION AND CONCURS IN LINES  
OF EMBASSY APPROACH PER REF A.

2. AS PER REF B, OPIC WILL NOT ACCEPT CLAIM BEFORE SIX  
MONTHS FROM DATE OF IMPOUNDMENT. FURTHER, IF EQUIPMENT  
IS RELEASED PRIOR TO THAT TIME, THEN CLAIM WOULD BE CON-  
SIDERED INVALID. DEPARTMENT THEREFORE RECOMMENDS THAT  
ADDITIONAL APPROACH TO GPRB BE MADE ALONG FOLLOWING  
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A. FAILURE TO LIFT GUARD AND ALLOW REMOVAL OF EQUIPMENT  
FROM KANDI CAMP IS NO DOUBT UNINTENTIONAL.

B. ALLOWING M-K TO REMOVE IMPOUNDED EQUIPMENT (AND EXPORT  
IF DESIRED) WILL REMOVE MAJOR PROBLEM WHICH MAY LEAD TO  
EXPROPRIATION CLAIM.

C. REQUEST GPRB GUARD BE REMOVED AND M-K BE GIVEN CONTROL OF EQUIPMENT.

D. EMPHASIZE THAT THIS SIMPLE ACTION CAN AVOID WHAT MAY BECOME SERIOUS PROBLEM IF EXPROPRIATION CLAIM IS FILED BY M-K.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY REPORT GPRB REACTION TO ABOVE APPROACH.  
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## Message Attributes

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